



[OMB Control No. 2900-XXXX]

Agency Information Collection Activity: Request for Entitlement Restoration Due to Facility Closure, Program of Training or Course Disapproval (Chapter 31 – Veteran Readiness and Employment)

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed new collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-XXXX" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maribel Aponte, Office of Enterprise and Integration, Data Governance Analytics (008), 810 Vermont Ave. NW,

Washington, DC 20006, (202) 266-4688 or email maribel.aponte@va.gov. Please refer to “OMB Control No. 2900–XXXX” in any correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Authority: 38 U.S.C. 501(a), and (38 USC 3699(c)(2)).

Title: Request for Restoration of Entitlement Due to Facility Closure, Program of Training or Course Disapproval (Chapter 31, Title 38, U.S.C.).

OMB Control Number: 2900-XXXX.

Type of Review: Request for approval of a new collection.

Abstract: A Service member or Veteran will use VAF 28-10281 to request restoration of entitlement due to a Facility closure, or due to the disapproval of a program of training or course. The VR&E program subsequently uses the information on this form to determine if a Service member or Veteran qualifies for restoration of entitlement. Without the information gathered on this form, the VR&E program would be unable to verify that the Service member or Veteran meets the criteria for restoration of entitlement. Furthermore, the VR&E program requests approval of this information collection in order to carry out the

implementation of the law which requires VA to immediately accept applications to restore education benefits for Facility closures and disapprovals of programs of training or courses.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 16,167 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 97,000.

By direction of the Secretary:

Dorothy Glasgow,

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